

Kennedy, Prof. H A A

May-June 1915

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March 24th, 1915

Rev. H. A. Kennedy,
New College,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

Dear Professor Kennedy:

You may have heard of the death of Professor George Stevenson, one of the most severe losses that the University has had in the last few years. Word of it has evidently reached Scotland because I have an application from Dr. Hubert Jager, 42 Argyle Crescent, Joppa. He seems to have had a good record in Edinburgh, and is recommended by Saintsbury and is now senior English master in the High School. Can you get me any confidential information about Dr. Jager, what he is as a man, a teacher, as well as a scholar? We shall be in no hurry to fill the position and want to get an excellent man when we do fill it.

Is there any other man in Scotland of between 35 and 40 whom you know or of whom you have heard who is sufficiently outstanding to get a good position with us in English?

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

May 26th, 1915

Professor H. A. A. Kennedy,
22 Merchiston Park,
Edinburgh.

My dear Professor Kennedy:

Many thanks for your letter. Your judgment in the matter of Dr. Jagger will be of great value to us. The position that we are endeavouring to fill is an Associate Professor's position worth £2500 a year. It should offer a good future to the man who gets it, but we shall not appoint any one until we have satisfied ourselves as to the character of the man. I shall be grateful to you for any names that you can suggest, though we may not take immediate action.

We closed three weeks earlier than usual, last Friday. Many men are preparing for the front. One hopes that the coming in of Italy may make a difference.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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June 18th, 1915

My dear Kennedy:

Some time ago you wrote to me that you thought it would not be difficult to secure a good man in English as a successor to Stevenson. We could offer a good position to a man, -\$2500 a year to begin with with an associate professor's rank. We want one who is not only a good teacher but a scholar who could direct graduate work. I shall be glad if you will make inquiries and let me know any suitable names.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

Professor H. A. A. Kennedy,
22 Merchiston Park,
Edinburgh.